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January 21, 2010, Public Hearing – Proposed DEP Stream Flow Regulations

Paul E. Stacy
Department of Environmental Protection
Bureau of Water Protection and Land Reuse
Planning & Standards Division
79 Elm Street
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Dear Mr. Stacy:

Thank you for this opportunity to comment. I grew up in the Quinnipiac watershed. As a young boy I enjoyed playing along railroad tracks, the only dry trail running along the Quinnipiac River at the Plainville-New Britain line. We called that place the "turtle ponds". During the 60's Rt 84 & Rt 72 was built destroying those ponds. I lived and owned a home on the river, at the Plainville-Southington line. During the 80's, I watched the river levels drop when the Southington Water Co. started pumping water from their new well fields. I support the regulations. These regulations address the future of our water resources. We needed these regulations 50 years ago. You should protect ground water and water table problems in your regulations and try to restore and protect head waters. Rivers will clean themselves if left alone naturally. Rivers should be treated as an asset not a resource or a commodity.

Sincerely;
Michael Korby

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael Korby", written over a horizontal line.